Ecclesiastical Courts of London for tithes which had been\\
answered, and, purposely to undo them, put in long and tedious [v] *'
libels, the copies of which were for the most part eighty sheets of
paper, so that the poor men were not able to take them out by
reason of the charges, much less to follow the causes at law
As this Feltwcll, to avoid arrests and processes to be served on
himself at the suit of sundry persons whom he has wronged,
often removes as a fugitive to unknown places, the magistrates
are to examine the matter and to make such good end therein
that the poor men shall have no further cause to trouble the
Council

SIR R WILLIAMS IN COMMAND IN NORMANDY

On the return of the Lord General from Normandy Sir
Robert Williams succeedeth to the command

24^ *February* VICTUALS SENT TO NORMANDY

It is said that some hard measure was offered to the Vice-
Treasurer by the captains of bands m Normandy for refusing to
satisfy them m their undue demands of pay for soldiers under
them Sir Roger Williams is instructed to cause this matter to
be reformed and to require the captains to forbear to demand
their pay till a muster can be made , and also to let them know
that the matter is very offensively taken

As there hath been so great waste and spoil made in Normandy
that victual will be scant and dear, a supply to the value of
£1000 is being sent over with the 1600 men under Sir Edmund
Yorke, to remain in magazine at Dieppe for the relief of the
forces when needful but not otherwise The price of this
victual is to be defalked accordingly from the captains' weekly
payments

The rates to be charged for victual

Beer, 3 pints - - zd Cheese, I Ib - - - - 3d
Biscuit, I Ib - *Hd.* Beef, i Ib - -

- 3 d
feutter, I Ib - - sd Bacon and
Porl, I Ib - 5<1

25*6 *February* A PETITION AGAINST PLAYS

The Lord Mayor of London hath complained to the Archbishop of Canterbury of the daily and disorderly exercise of players and playing houses erected m the City whereby, saith le, the youth is greatly corrupted and their manners infected by